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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Mohamed BOUZEKRI, et al.

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FOR: METHOD OF PRODUCING AUSTENITIC IRON/CARBON/MANGANESE STEEL
SHEETS HAVING A HIGH STRENGTH AND EXCELLENT TOUGHNESS AND
BEING SUITABLE FOR COLD FORMING, AND SHEETS THUS PRODUCED

RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 USC 371

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SIR:

Responsive to the notification dated May 4, 2006, and in accordance with the provisions of 35 USC 371, Applicants submit herewith a Rule 63 Declaration.

The required fee was paid at the time of filing the application.

The Rule 63 Declaration being filed herewith is accompanied by an English translation. The translation is accurate (37 CFR 1.69.)

In light of the foregoing, this application is deemed to be in proper condition for examination and such favorable action is earnestly solicited.

Our payment in the amount of \$0.00 is paid herewith by credit card. If any difference exists between the amount due and the amount being paid herewith, please charge or credit the difference to our Deposit Account No. 15-0030. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

If these papers are not considered timely filed by the Patent and Trademark Office, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 and any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 for any necessary extension of time may be charged to Deposit Account No. 15-0030. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Copy of the International Application filed on 01/23/2006
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 01/23/2006
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 01/23/2006
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 01/23/2006
- Request for Immediate Examination filed on 01/23/2006
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The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions

of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the response.*

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